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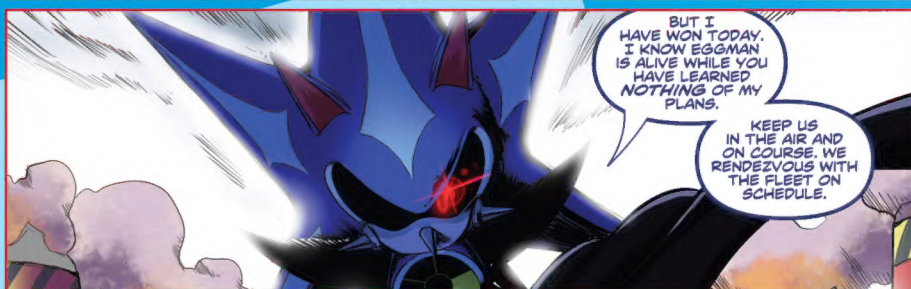
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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

The Blue Blur.
Fastest thing alive.



MILES "TAILS" PROWER

Tech-savvy Sidekick.
Resistance pilot.



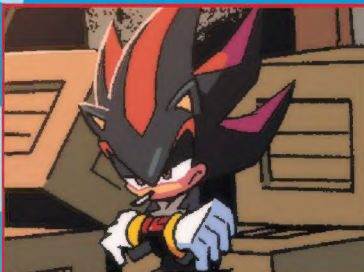
AMY ROSE

Piko Hammer Hero.
Resistance core staff.



KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA

Guardian of the Master Emerald.
Resistance leader.



SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG

The Ultimate Lifeform.
Team Dark leader.



TANGLE THE LEMUR

Excitable New Hero.
Resistance ally.



ROUGE THE BAT

Super-spy.
Team Dark intelligence.



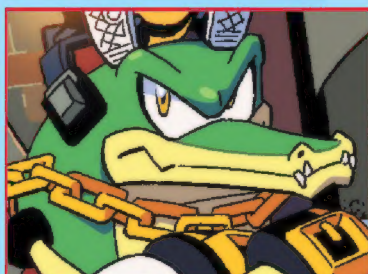
BLAZE THE CAT

Fire-powered Princess.
Resistance ally.



ESPIO THE CHAMELEON

Ninja Detective.
Chaotix Detective Agency.



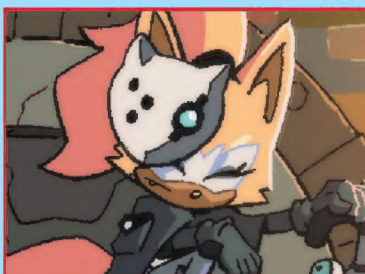
VECTOR THE CROCODILE

The Rock Croc.
Chaotix Detective Agency.



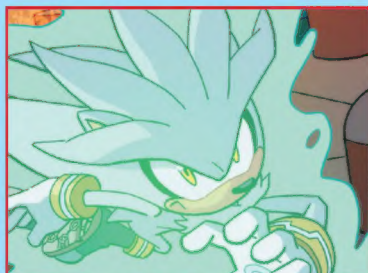
CHARMY BEE

Heroic Youngster.
Chaotix Detective Agency.



WHISPER THE WOLF

Silent Sniper.
Resistance ally.



SILVER THE HEDGEHOG

Psychic from the Future.
Resistance ally.



NEO METAL SONIC

Mechanical Mastermind.
Eggman Empire.




"I AM NEO METAL SONIC. I AM DR. EGGMAN'S GREATEST CREATION. I AM SONIC THE HEDGEHOG—PERFECTED."

"I HAVE USED THE EGG FLEET TO CONQUER ANGEL ISLAND."



"I HAVE SECURED THE **MASTER EMERALD**—THE MOST POWERFUL GEMSTONE IN THE WORLD."



"I HAVE BAITED THE 'HEROES' INTO BRINGING ME THE LAST THING I NEED FOR MY **ASCENSION**."

"I HAVE WON!"





THANK
YOU ALL FOR
COMING SO
QUICKLY.

YEAH—
WE'RE GOING
TO NEED ALL
OF YOU!



NEO METAL SONIC HAS TAKEN OVER MY ISLAND! HE'S TURNED IT INTO A FLYING FORTRESS!

AND BUILT THAT... THAT THING OVER THE MASTER EMERALD!



I NEVER SHOULD'VE LEFT...

YOU WERE HELPING US DOWN HERE.

AND NOW WE'RE GOING TO HELP YOU GET YOUR HOME BACK.



WE'RE GOING TO SPLIT INTO THREE TEAMS.

TEAMS ONE AND TWO WILL ATTACK THE SHORELINES AND BREAK THE EGG FLEET'S CONTROL OF THE ISLAND.



TEAM THREE WILL CONFRONT NEO METAL SONIC HERE.

THEY'LL SECURE THE MASTER EMERALD AND ROB THE FLEET OF ITS COMMANDER.





I'M ON TEAM THREE!

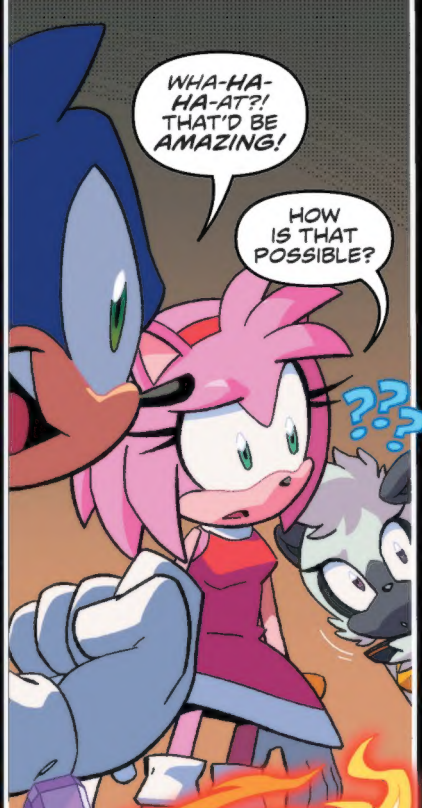
I THINK EVERYONE ASSUMED THAT, KNUX.



MAY I OFFER A MORE DIRECT OPTION, AMY?

OF COURSE!

I COULD CONFRONT NEO METAL SONIC AS BURNING BLAZE.



WHA-HA-HA-AT?! THAT'D BE AMAZING!

HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

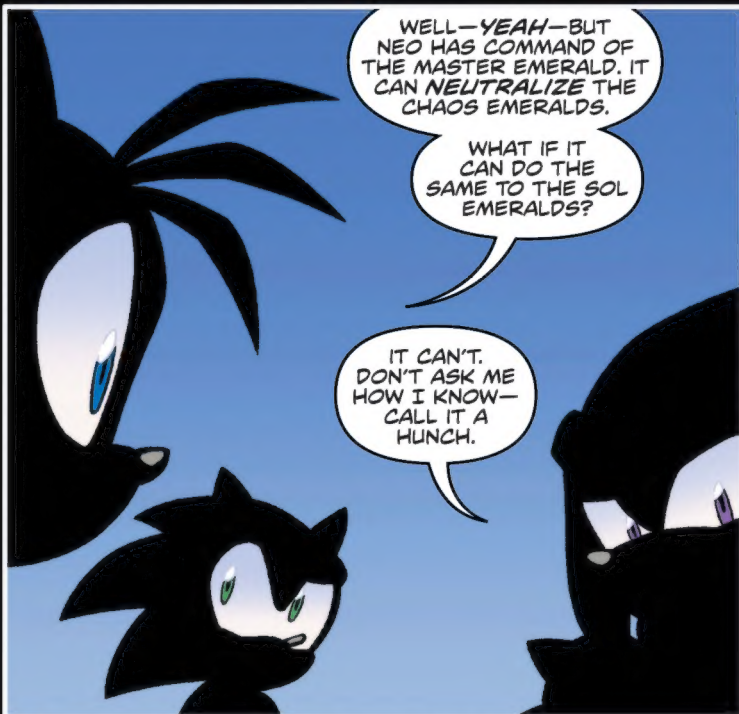


AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, IF SONIC CAN MANAGE TO GATHER UP THE SEVEN CHAOS EMERALDS, HE CAN USE THEIR POWER TO TRANSFORM INTO SUPER SONIC.

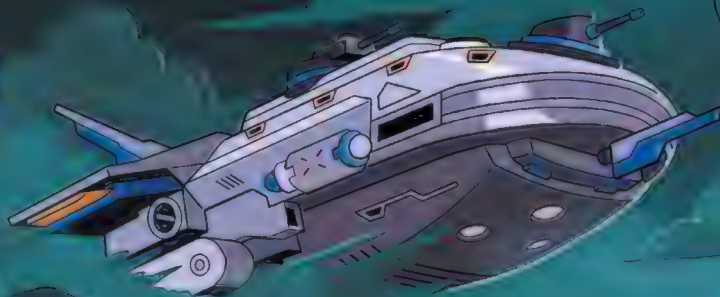
ON MY WORLD, WE HAVE SIMILAR GEMS CALLED SOL EMERALDS. WITH THEIR POWER, I CAN BECOME BURNING BLAZE.

IT IS THEIR POWER THAT BROUGHT ME HERE. AS THEIR GUARDIAN, I HAVE KEPT THEM CLOSE ALL THIS TIME.

THEY ARE NOT TO BE WIELDED RECKLESSLY, BUT I BELIEVE THIS CRISIS WOULD JUSTIFY THEIR USE.



SOON...



I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU COMING TO HELP. I KNOW CROWDS AREN'T REALLY YOUR THING.

S'OKAY.



I'LL GIVE YOU SOME SPACE. BE SAFE DOWN THERE, OKAY?

YOU TOO.



I SHARE THE SENTIMENT. I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE FOR A BIG TEAM-UP.

I'M HERE FOR MY OWN REASONS.

MMM... OF COURSE YOU ARE.





ARE YOU
SURE THAT
ONE CAN BE
TRUSTED?

WHISPER?
SURE! SHE
CERTAINLY LIKES
TO KEEP HER
DISTANCE...

KINDA
REMINDS ME OF
HOW A CERTAIN
PRINCESS USED
TO BE...

HEH. I
SUPPOSE I WAS A
BIT... DEFENSIVE...
WHEN WE ALL
FIRST MET.



AND NOW
I MARCH
TO WAR WITH
THE LOT OF
YOU.

IT'S GOING
TO BE ROUGH
OUT THERE.
PLEASE BE
CAREFUL ON
YOUR OWN.



DO NOT
WORRY.
WE'LL WIN
THE DAY.

HAHA!
YOU'RE
RIGHT. I NEED
TO STAY
POSITIVE!

I
LEARNED FROM
THE BEST.



YOU'RE NOT USING YOUR MIND-POWERS TO CHEAT, ARE YA?

N-NO! I CAN'T REALLY—

OR USING YOUR FUTURE-KNOWLEDGE?!

IT DOESN'T WORK LIKE THAT!

RELAX! I'M JUST MESSING WITH YA!

O-OH. SORRY, I'M NOT USED TO...

...WAITAMINUTE...

AW, MAN... YOUR HAND'S WORSE THAN MINE.



C'MON! JUST TRY TO PLAY A HAND. IT'LL GET YOUR MIND OFF THINGS.

NO. MY ISLAND NEEDS ME. I HAVE NO TIME FOR GAMES.

SO... YOU'RE JUST GOING TO STAND THERE UNTIL WE ARRIVE?

YES.

SUIT YOURSELF.



SMOOTH
SAILING,
CAP'N?

STEADY
AS SHE
GOES. WHAT
BRINGS YOU
UP HERE?

I GUESS I'M TOO
EXCITED TO HANG
WITH EVERYONE
ELSE.

WE'LL BE AT ANGEL
ISLAND ANY MINUTE
NOW, AND THE BEST
PLACE TO BE IS WITH
MY WINGMAN.

THANKS,
PARTNER.
WE'LL GET
THROUGH
THIS.

WE
ALWAYS
DO.

KA-BLAM

AND HERE
WE WERE
HAVING A
MOMENT...

NEO
ISN'T TAKING
ANY CHANCES!
THE ENTIRE
EGG FLEET IS
BOMBARDING
US!

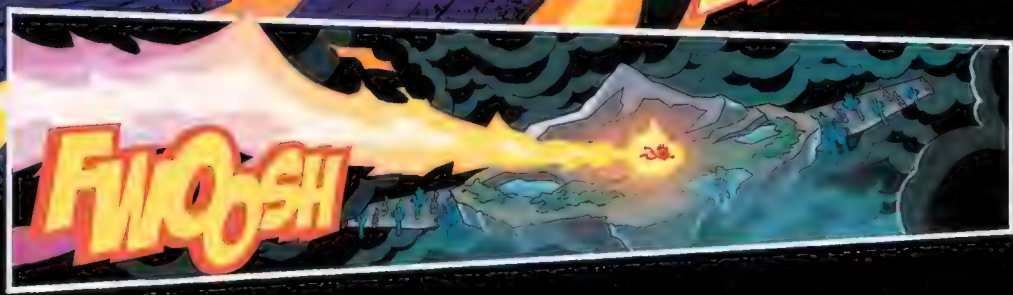
YOU AND
KNUCKLES
GRAB YOUR
EXTREME GEAR!
I'LL GET US AS
CLOSE AS I
CAN, BUT—

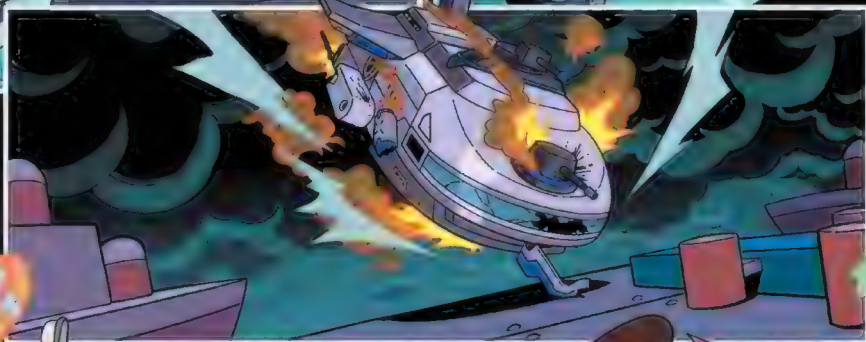
KA-BLAM

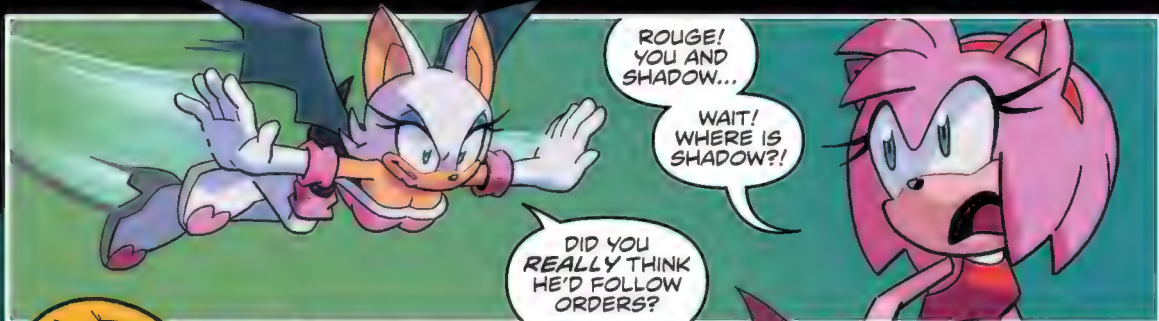
GOOD
LUCK,
BUDDY!

KA-BLAM













I MUST FINISH MY MISSION HERE QUICKLY. I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE MY FRIENDS TO FEND FOR THEMSELVES FOR TOO LONG.



HEH... MY FRIENDS. I'VE NOT HAD THEM IN MY LIFE FOR LONG...



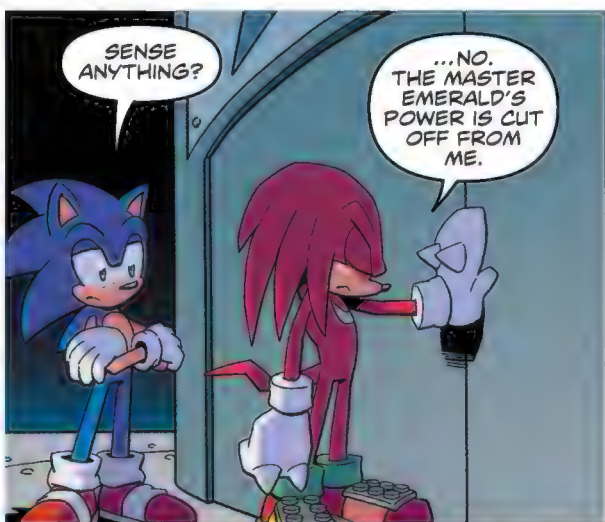
...BUT I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO KEEP THEM SAFE!





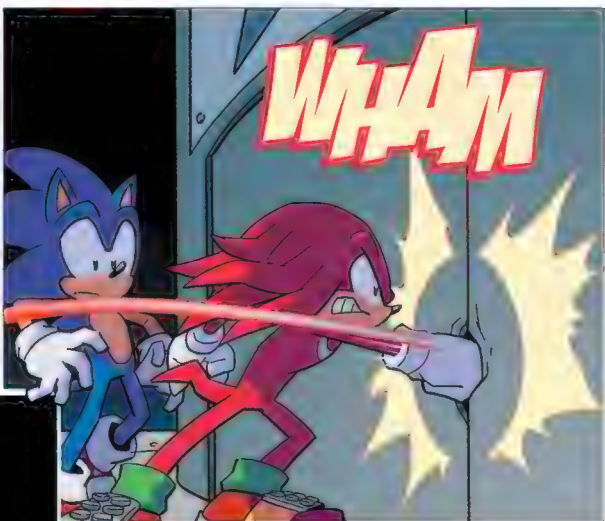
WELL...
THAT'S
OVERT.

WE'RE NOT
HERE FOR
SIGHT-SEEING.
LET'S GET
MOVING!

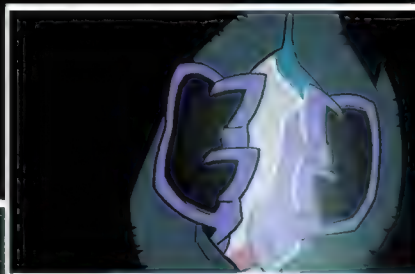


SENSE
ANYTHING?

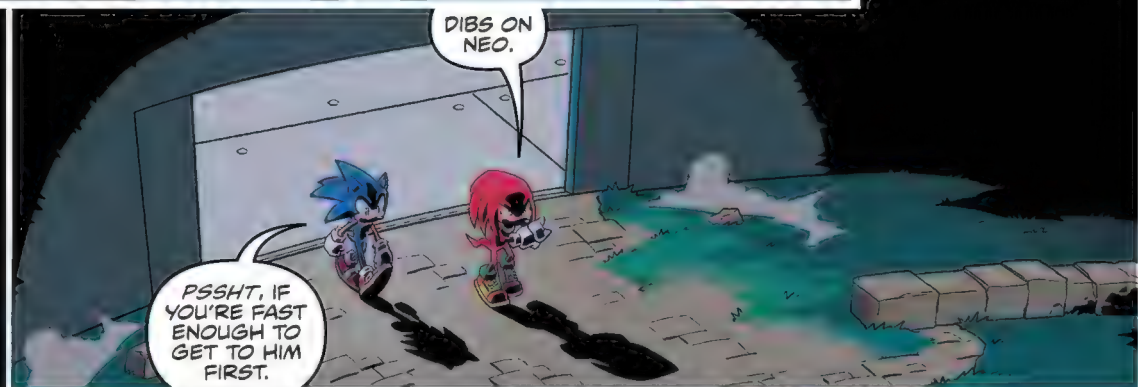
...NO.
THE MASTER
EMERALD'S
POWER IS CUT
OFF FROM
ME.



WHAM

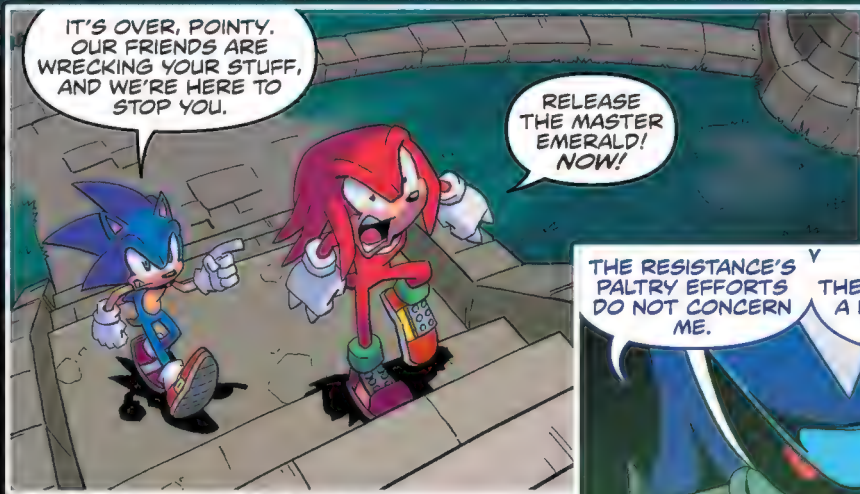
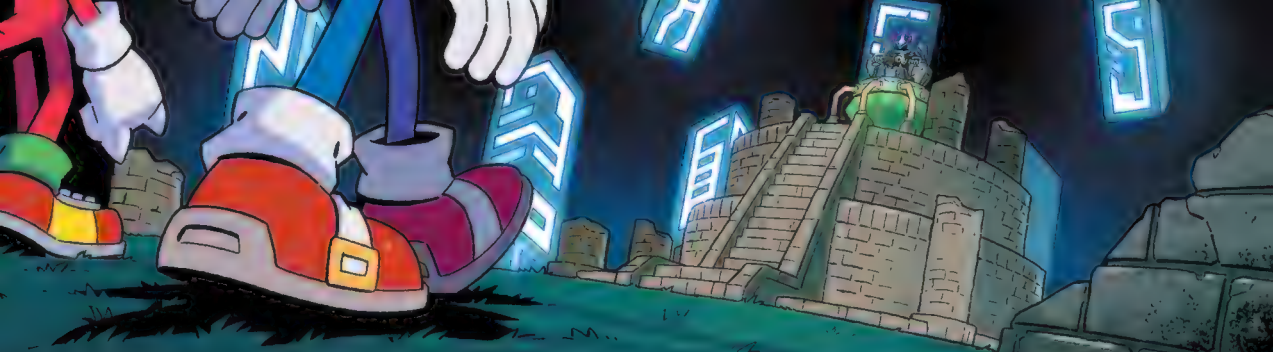


CREEEEEEEEEEK



DIBS ON
NEO.

PSSHT, IF
YOU'RE FAST
ENOUGH TO
GET TO HIM
FIRST.



IT'S OVER, POINTY. OUR FRIENDS ARE WRECKING YOUR STUFF, AND WE'RE HERE TO STOP YOU.

RELEASE THE MASTER EMERALD! NOW!



THE RESISTANCE'S PALTRY EFFORTS DO NOT CONCERN ME.

ONE BY ONE, THEY'LL ALL BECOME A BLACK MARK ON THE FLOOR.



AND YOU TWO ARE NOTHING COMPARED TO MY POWER.

SAYS YOU! LET'S GET HIM, KNUX!



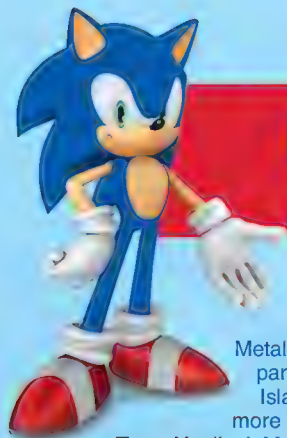


GREAT.
JUUUUUUST
GREAT.

WELL?
WEREN'T YOU
GOING TO
"STOP ME?"

COME.
SHOW ME
WHAT YOU'RE
MADE OF.

NEXT TIME:
SONIC & KNUCKLES
VS.
SUPER NEO METAL!



SONIC LETTERS SQUAD

Hey Sonic fans! It looks like the team is in trouble! How are they going to stop SUPER Neo Metal Sonic? What a crazy ending to part one of "The Battle for Angel Island." Check back next time for more of the adventure by Ian Flynn,

Tracy Yardley!, Matt Herms, and Shawn Lee!

While we're all hanging onto that cliffhanger, let's check out some of your crazy cool art, cosplay, and letters!

My name is Raphael, I'm 13 years old and I'm from Australia. My brother Linden and I have been HUGE fans of the Sonic genre and the Sonic Archie comics since we were little and are happy to see these comics being published! I also freehand copied this picture of Tails from the Sonic Mania trailer. Tails is my favourite character. Knuckles is Linden's favourite character.

Your Fan,
Raphael Alston

Hi Raphael,

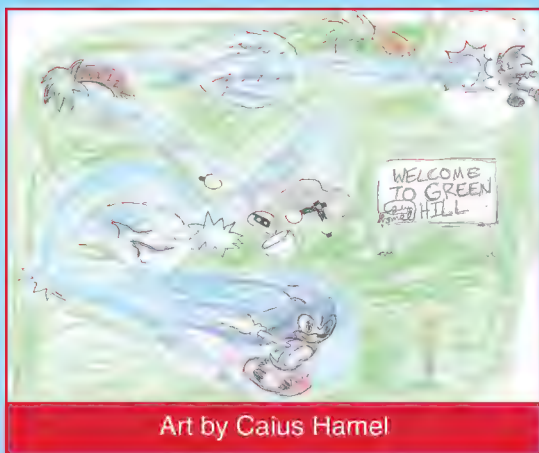
What a fantastic drawing of Tails! We'll definitely be seeing more of him AND Knuckles in the upcoming issues. It's so cool that you and your brother are both fans of Sonic, and we're sure that both of you make as good of a team as Tails and Knuckles!



Hello folks at IDW!

I would like to say I'm really excited about the new Sonic series. I've read the first few issues and they've been so good that I sometimes for a moment can't stand the fact that I have to wait a whole month for the suspense to clear up! I've read some graphic novels of the older series, but this is the first comic book series I've subscribed to, and no others have come yet. I've been drawing since I was 6 or 7 and I have made a lot of my own superhero characters and the villains they have to go up against. Then when I was about 10, I was in my local library and I saw a graphic novel that had been misplaced on the comic book stand that was titled, "Sonic the Hedgehog: Countdown to Chaos." I had thought Sonic was kinda cool and I had played a couple games, but when I found that book, I became a diehard Sonic fan. I loved that book so much and decided to start drawing Sonic and reading more. I have since then only gotten better at drawing him. I've attached one of my best Sonic drawings. I worked really hard at it, and would love to see it in print. See ya!

Caius Hamel



Hey Caius,

That's an awesome action shot of our favorite blue blur! We can tell that you worked super hard on it. And such a cool story of how you became a Sonic fan! Thanks for taking a chance on your chance encounter and never looking back. Keep on drawing, because we're definitely a fan of this picture!

Dear Editorial Team,

My name's Ted, and for as long as I can remember, I've been a Sonic fan. (Considering that I turned 30 this past January, that's a looong time!) I've been with the Blue Blur since the very beginning, back in 1991. I've followed his many adventures over the years across countless video games, four cartoon series, two anime series, and over 400 issues of comics, both American and British.

So, you can imagine my surprise and dismay when, in early 2017, the long-running North American Sonic



Art by Kai Toro

comic was cancelled, after nearly 300 issues. I was equally surprised when it was announced, a mere two days later, that IDW had picked up the comic license, and brought over much of the creative team that made the first series such a joy to read.

You can certainly bet that I had very high expectations regarding this new series. And you know what? Not only did the comic meet my expectations, it ran my expectations over like Badnik that just got Spin Dashed, picked up the shattered remains, and Spin Dashed them again. I felt like a kid again when I picked up the first issue, and I continue to get that feeling with each subsequent issue I read!

Seriously, you guys, keep up the incredible work! You're off to a great start, and I'm eager to see where these new adventures will take us! You've more than impressed this member of the old guard!

With much respect,
Ted Bjorndal

Hi Ted,

Thanks so much for your high praise! It's always nice to hear that longtime fans are enjoying the new series, especially from someone with as lengthy of a resumé as yours!

If you'd like your fanart, cosplay pictures, or letters to show up in this very space, send them to letters@idwpublishing.com, include your name, and mark them "OKAY TO PRINT!" Also, don't forget to join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad Facebook Group to see even more amazing art and keep up-to-date with all the

latest info on your favorite comic! We'll see you next month when Sonic and his friends take on *gulp* Super Neo Metal Sonic!



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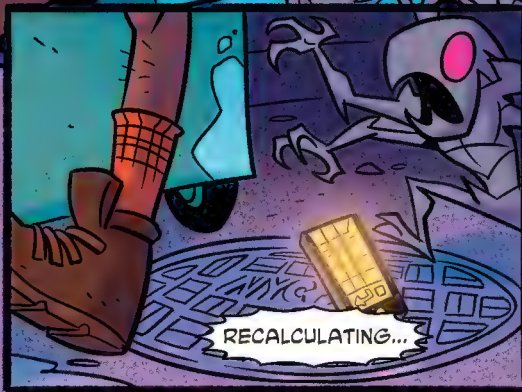
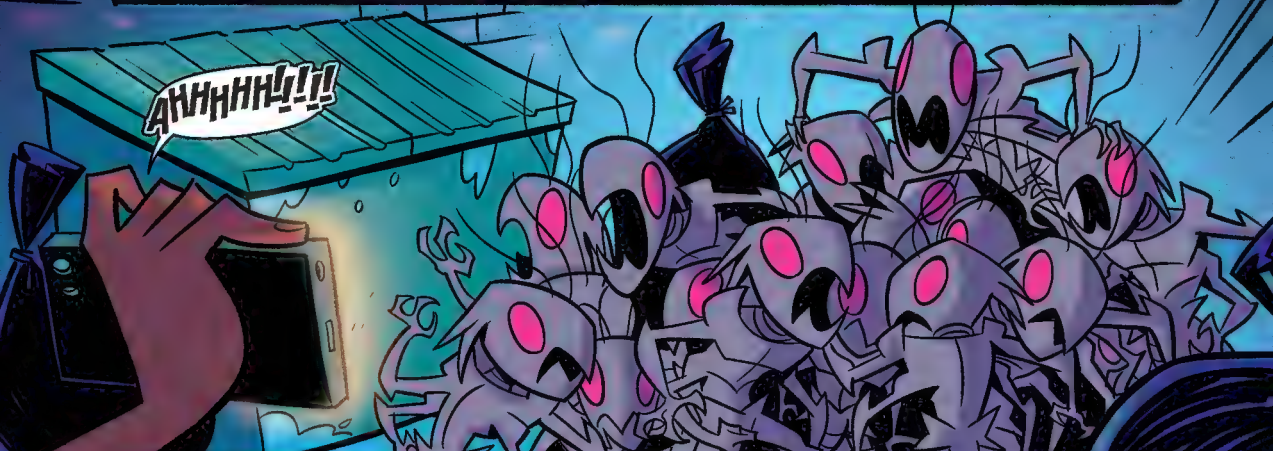
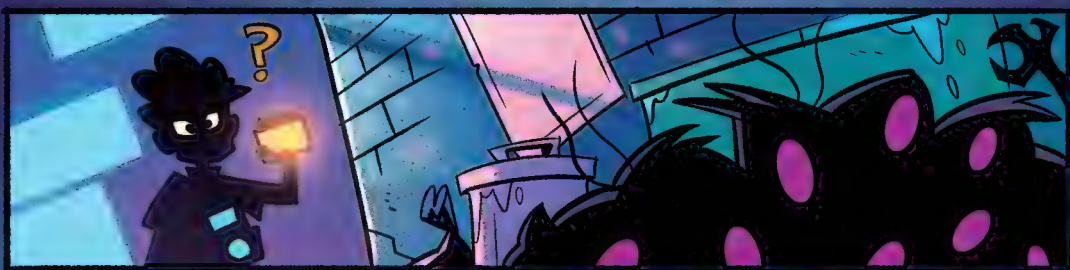
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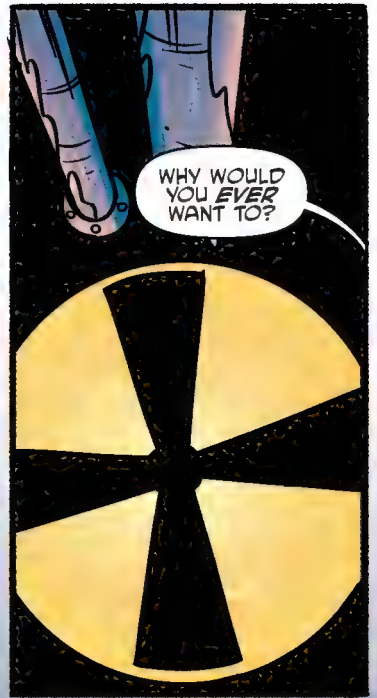
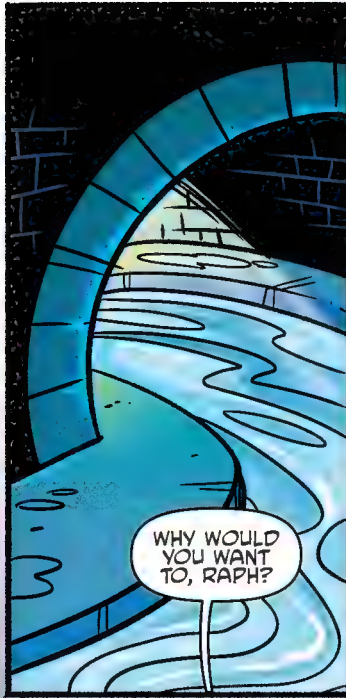
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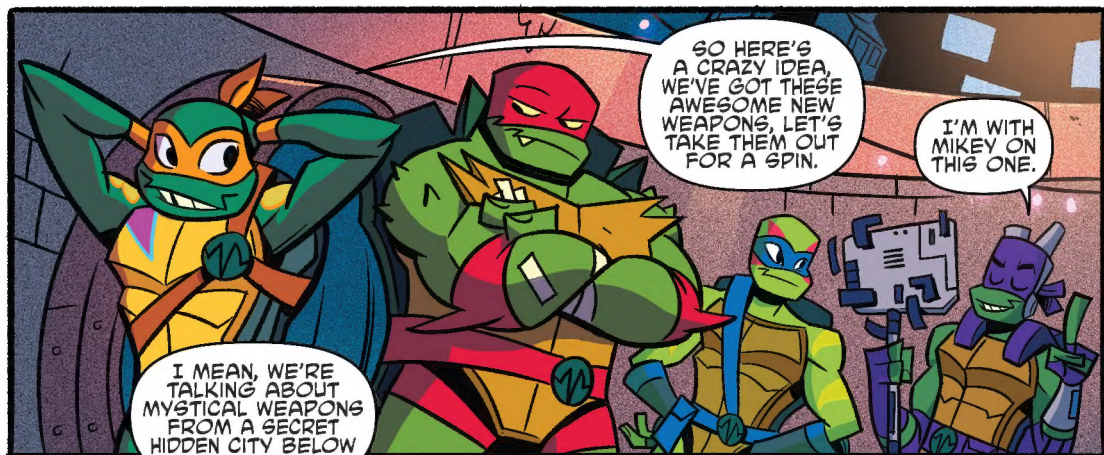
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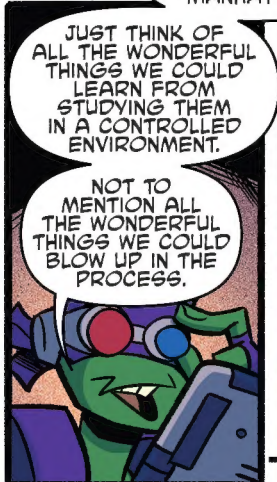




SO HERE'S A CRAZY IDEA, WE'VE GOT THESE AWESOME NEW WEAPONS, LET'S TAKE THEM OUT FOR A SPIN.

I'M WITH MIKEY ON THIS ONE.

I MEAN, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MYSTICAL WEAPONS FROM A SECRET HIDDEN CITY BELOW MANHATTAN.



JUST THINK OF ALL THE WONDERFUL THINGS WE COULD LEARN FROM STUDYING THEM IN A CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT.

NOT TO MENTION ALL THE WONDERFUL THINGS WE COULD BLOW UP IN THE PROCESS.



OR WE COULD JUST USE THEM TO STRIKE SWEET NINJA POSES ON THE ROOFTOPS AND SHOUT STUFF LIKE "THIS ENDS NOW!" AND "LET'S DO THIS!"



THOSE ARE LITERALLY MY TWO FAVORITE PHRASES, LEO.



NO.



WHAT? WHY, CRUEL UNIVERSE?! WHY?!

GEEZ, I HAVEN'T SEEN MIKEY THIS WORKED UP SINCE THE GREAT CHILI SPILL OF 2017.



A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR MY FALLEN GARBANZOS.

GONE BEFORE THEIR TIME.



SORRY, GUYS. MUCH AS I HATE TO SAY IT, WE GOTTA BE CAUTIOUS HERE.

WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THESE WEAPONS ARE CAPABLE OF. SO WE CAN ONLY USE 'EM WHEN WE HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.

WHEN THINGS LOOK... DIRE.



THEY SURE ARE PRETTY THOUGH...

HEY GUYS. YOU WON'T BELIEVE THE DAY I HAD AT BURGERSVILLE.

LET'S JUST SAY THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO CAUSE A GREASE FIRE.

BY MY COUNT THERE'S SEVEN.



ONE OF THOSE OOZESQUITOS THINGS BUZZED IN—

—YOU KNOW THOSE BUGS THAT TURN NORMAL PEOPLE INTO MUTANTS—

—AND AFTER I TRIED TO SMASH THE THING...



...WELL, LONG STORY SHORT, IT LOOKS LIKE I'M BACK ON THE JOB HUNT AGAIN SO—

UH... GUYS?



OOOKAY. I'M GONNA GO TRY AND GET THIS GREASE OUT OF MY HAIR... AND MY SHIRT... AND MY VERY SOUL...

I LIKE THE WAY MY KUSARI-FUNDO GLIMMERS IN THE LIGHT.



LIKE IT KNOWS IT'S BEAUTIFUL, BUT IT DOESN'T WANT ME TO KNOW IT KNOWS.



HEY.

WASN'T APRIL HERE LIKE A SECOND AGO?



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